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Alcorn Purchases Riley Confectionery

H. L. Alcorn, formerly of the Beacon Drug store staff, has purchased the Riley Confectionery, 2203 Redondo boulevard, and will take possession March 1. Alcorn plans to enlarge the stock of this popular confectionery, and later on expects to add drugs to the present line of confectionery, smoker's supplies, druggists' sundries and fountain lunch.

The new proprietor's wide acquaintance in the city promises well for his success in the new business venture.

Eilon Hess Dies at San Bernardino Mon.

Hess died early Monday morning, following a paralytic stroke in San Bernardino. He was 29 years of age. He was a machinist for the Union Tool Company of Torrance, and lived in Redondo, beside Goldie Hess, he also leaves another son, Charles, his father, Duce Hess, and five brothers and one sister.

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"No-Accident-Month" at Columbia Steel

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insufficient rest and careless habits. He complimented the officials of the Columbia plant on their progress in safety in Torrance. "We should not only be on the lookout for ourselves," he declared. "But we should watch for danger to the other fellow too. This objective would result in few if any accidents during every month in the year."

During the course of his talk, Berger outlined the history of safety campaigns and the improved manner in caring for the welfare of employed men. Present industrialists he said, were more humane, but 25 years ago, accidents were taken as a matter of course. Safety programs in manufacturing plants originated with the United States Steel in the east a number of years ago, Berger said.

"Safety Preventatives" However, with all the guards for machinery, elimination of workshop hazards and precautions taken by law and at the instigation of safety engineers, 90 to 95 per cent of accidents that now occur are the result of workmen's carelessness, according to the speaker. This can be eliminated, he declared, by a program of education such as is outlined for the Torrance plant for March.

Dr. Parlett came to this city from San Francisco in invitation of Lanz. In his talk he reviewed the start of the industrial safety movement. In 1905, he said, he talked with a Mr. Close in New York, father of the safety program. The originator's ideas have been used all over the world, according to the physician. Drawing a comparison of the safety movement with his own profession, Dr. Parlett said that medicine today is used primarily as a preventative of disease and so with safety measures, which he termed "safety preventatives."

With many years of experience in such matters, Dr. Parlett's suggestions for a safety campaign here will be closely followed, according to Lanz. In closing the physician stated:

Recalls Lindbergh's "We" "No accidents at the plant benefit all. Then there will be no losses suffered by the concern and what is of even greater importance--no losses will be suffered by the men or their families."

Recalling Col. Charles Lindbergh's now-famous statement on his arrival in Paris after his epic flight from New York, "We did it," B. W. Lanz, the next speaker, declared "We can do it here. We can make a study of our local conditions like Lindbergh did of flying and his plane, and put over a safety campaign the same as we have put over other campaigns in the plant in the past."

Lanz declared the "just getting by" attitude, stating that workers who have that negative attitude would certainly "hide to a fall in the end."

Success is Assured "We need this education in safety if for only the reason that it will give us and our workers a clear conscience. A man who knows where an accident is likely to occur will be worried the rest of his life if one of his fellow-workers meets with an accident in that place. On the other hand, if he works for safety at all times, he will not be bothered long by the regrets that come

Mrs Erickson To Get Defense Fund

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Mrs. Erickson gave her \$1500 to put in her (Mrs. Peterson's) safe deposit box.

Mrs. Bessie V. and Charles F. Myers who conduct Stone and Myers mortuary here, testified of an apparent anxiousness on the part of the two women to get a copy of a death certificate that would describe Lindstrom as having died of natural causes.

The following communication from the Royal Neighbors of Lomita was given the Herald today:

"We, the undersigned, wish to correct the report that Mrs. Anna Erickson was absent in her accounts with this organization, the Royal Neighbors. She has been our Receiver for four years, and when audited her books were always correct. Signed: Tizah D. Taber, special auditor; Maude H. Sharock, orator, 1930; Catherine B. Fink, recorder, 1931; Ruth E. Morris, receiver, 1931, manager, 1930; Gladys I. Beckley, mgr., 1929; Vera M. Paige, recorder, 1927 to 1931; and Ragna Hansen, manager, 1928.

from an accident to one of his chums."

The speaker commented on the improvement in the local plant in general and declared that he realized the wonderful organization in the plant that will assure the accomplishment of the safety campaign for the coming month.

Three classifications will be utilized in March to effect the success of the "No-Accident-Month": (1) Education of the general staff, which includes: all departmental superintendents and the local management studying intensively the factors of safety; (2) Activities of the general staff which are sub-divided into two major committees: Publicity, which includes the display of posters, distribution of literature to all workers, banners, and photographs depicting causes and results of safety measures and accidents; the second committee will delve into the statistics of the campaign, and will compile records and data that will give a clear picture of every activity undertaken during the month; (3) Every departmental superintendent will conduct the campaign in his own way, asking for suggestions from the men for submission to both the publicity and statistical committees for study and recommendation.

Final Judging The superintendents will transmit their ideas to all departments. The entire Torrance plant is to be divided into blocks for the close scrutiny of every man to determine hazards and their elimination. Every foreman will be impressed with the responsibility he shares in the general campaign. The coroner will be judged at the conclusion of the "No-Accident-Month" on three points and in the order named: Safety in general, quality of work and products that are turned out and cost of production.

In this way, the campaign will be judged successful or otherwise at the end of the 31-day period of intense safety precautions that are bound to carry over in the Torrance plant for many months to come the value of "No-Accident-Month."

BREAKS COLLAR-BONE WHILE SLEDDING WITHOUT SNOW!

Carl Benner, of the Mitchell apartments this city, is a good candidate for Cartoonist Ripley's Believe It or Not artistry--because B. I. or N., Benner broke his collar-bone last Sunday while sliding on a sled where there wasn't any snow or ice!

Benner, who is a brother of J. J. Benner, engineer on the Torrance Fire Department, was a member of a party of Torrance people who spent the day at John Fess' cabin at Cedar Pines. The children in the party had brought along their sleds in anticipation of a glorious time in the snow.

But there wasn't any snow. That didn't stop the kids, however, and soon they were having a fine time sliding down the side of a hill on the pine needles. This was almost as good as snow riding.

Gets First Aid Benner, so the story goes, tried it out and failed to note an abrupt declivity at the bottom of the hill, which the children had been avoiding. He coasted into the ravine, smashed into a small tree stump and broke his collar-bone.

He was given first aid by Assistant Fire Chief Fess and Engineer Benner, who have been studying the art in connection with their fire practices, and brought to the Jared Sidney Torrance Memorial hospital for further treatment. Incidentally, the physicians and nurses at the hospital here, gave the two firemen--compliments on their fine first aid bandaging.

Those in the party were Mr. and Mrs. Fess and their two sons, Kenneth and Junior; Mr. Green and son, of San Gabriel; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Benner and their two children, Melvin and Ruth; Mr. and Mrs. John Stroh and their two children, Lucille and J. R., and Carl Benner.

Suspicious Aroused He waited for further word. This did not come and he called Stone and Myers, Torrance morticians, by long distance. Charles Myers informed him that death had been attributed to a medical term which means long-standing heart disease. They put Lindstrom in a quandy.

He stated he knew his father had never been afflicted with that ailment. Myers told him that the death certificate had not been signed by a doctor, but by a coroner's deputy.

His suspicions aroused, Lindstrom came west. En route he saw another brother attend his father's interment at Williams, Ariz. Lindstrom is reported to have said that his brother told him that Mrs. Carlson and her friend Mrs. Anna Erickson had been very anxious that the last rites be conducted quietly and with dispatch.

Doctor Did Not Sign Then Lindstrom arrived in Los Angeles. He went directly to Lomita and interviewed California Bank officials, told them his suspicions, and learned that Mrs. Carlson had made his father's account a joint one just a week before his death and that immediately after the elder Lindstrom died, all the money was withdrawn.

Dr. J. S. Lancaster, of this city, was Peter Lindstrom's next interviewee. Dr. Lancaster told him that he had been called in after Lindstrom, the elder, had died and that he, Dr. Lancaster, had refused to sign the death certificate for that reason. As Peter Lindstrom recounted his suspicions to the physician, Dr. Lancaster recalled that the dead man's symptoms had been similar to those of an arsenic victim.

Bears Cost Himself Leaving Dr. Lancaster's office, Lindstrom went to Stone and Myers, where he is reported to have learned that no examination had been made by officials but that Deputy Coroner McDonald had signed the death certificate, ascribing the old man's passing to heart failure.

This formed a good basis for Peter Lindstrom to take his case to Coroner Frank Nance. The finger of suspicion was pointing. The coroner told him, it is reported, that he would conduct an examination if Lindstrom would bear the cost of exhuming the body and bringing it back to Los Angeles from Arizona. This Lindstrom agreed to do.

The result was, as has been reported generally, that "enough arsenic to kill 40 men" was found in the remains. The rest is official history--the arrest, questioning and complications surrounding the detention of Mrs. Esther Carlson and her friend, Mrs. Anna Erickson.

PENNSYLVANIANS CALLED TO PICNIC ON MARCH 7

All whoever lived in the Keystone State are invited to picnic all day Saturday, March 7, in Sycamore Grove Park, Los Angeles. There will be county registers and headquarters, so all can find the old neighbors even with thousands present. There will be a brief program starting about 2 o'clock.

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